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COUNTY HOSTS FREE PARENT WORKSHOPS

Learn how to talk to your kids about sex.

Monroe County Executive Jack Doyle today announced two free Not Me, Not Now Parent Workshops to further develop parent-child communication skills, learn how and when to talk to children about sex, and help children resist peer pressure. Presenters are Dennis Boike, Ph.D. of Boike Counseling and Cookie Waller of Prevention Partners.

"Talking to kids about sex, for most parents, is awkward and uncomfortable," said Doyle. "Many of today's parents did not discuss sex or personal issues with their own parents when they were growing up. This workshop will guide them in having the important discussions with their children today."

Parent workshops run 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and are:

- Tuesday, October 1 Greece Public Library, 2 Vince Tofany Blvd.
- Wednesday, October 2 Mendon Center Elementary School, 110 Mendon Center Road, Pittsford

Not Me, Not Now is a teen pregnancy prevention program designed to encourage kids, ages 9 to 14, to delay sexual activity. Through television and radio commercials, young kids deliver a message to their peers that dating is cool, setting goals is important and abstaining from sex is a smart choice for their future. The program was created in 1994 by Monroe County's Department of Communications and Department of Health, and is funded by Monroe County.

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